



**ROUND 2 INTERVIEW TRANSCRIPT: TOM PERNICE, JR.**  
**Friday, October 31, 2014**

**PHIL STAMBAUGH:** Tom, 3-under par 67 today and another good round. Obviously Jay has the round of the day. Just talk about your day today.

**TOM PERNICE, JR.:** Actually, I played pretty well. The conditions were obviously a little more difficult with a little bit more breeze blowing today, so it was a little bit trickier. I struggled a little bit on the speed of the greens, I left several putts short. I missed about a six-footer on the last hole and left it short hanging on the lip.

But I played very nicely, hit a lot of good shots. I hit it in the rough a couple times on the back nine, but all in all I played pretty nice. Just the speed on the green, I had trouble getting it to the hole. And then the last hole I hit a perfect 3-wood off the tee, I thought, and it was six inches in the left rough right underneath the trees down there, so I really had to just punch something over the green and hit a good bunker shot and then I left my six-footer short. Other than that, I played nice.

**PHIL STAMBAUGH:** Just go for questions.

**Q. Are the conditions today different, more difficult?**

**TOM PERNICE, JR.:** I thought it was windier today and it's trickier, yeah. Especially the first seven or eight holes, it was switching around so it wasn't a hundred percent out of the south. It was a little tricky on the front nine, a lot of crosswind holes.

**Q. I asked some of the guys that were coming in their impressions of somebody who would go 38 rounds at par or better like Jay. What are your thoughts on something like that when somebody does something like that?**

**TOM PERNICE, JR.:** Obviously he drives the ball extremely straight. He's always been a great iron player and his putting's fantastic, and always he's had a good short game. So when you have no weaknesses, kind of get in a groove, it's pretty amazing really.

**Q. I just happened to notice you finishing up on the range before you went to the first tee and it looked like you just had it wired. How did you feel going to the first tee?**

**TOM PERNICE, JR.:** Good. Like I said, I hit the ball pretty well today. Especially on the front nine, hit a lot of good quality shots. I said it's tricky, some of the pins were a little tougher. With the crosswinds where they were and the greens firming up, it's

tough to get close on some of them, but I had some chances on the back nine and just didn't capitalize really. I left it short from about eight or 10 feet at 10 for birdie, left it right and hard short, couple others short. And then 18 I thought I hit a pretty good tee shot and ended up pretty much in a bad spot, so had to get it up and down and didn't do it.

So all in all, if I continue to hit the ball like this, I feel like I'll have a good chance. So we've got two more days. If the wind keeps up like it does today, it will be a little trickier.

**Q. Did you find yourself shaping a lot of shots or just riding the wind?**

**TOM PERNICE, JR.:** No, you've got to shape them as firm as the greens are. At 11 I thought I hit a beautiful 9-iron, held it against the wind into a pin on the very front right of the green. The wind's blowing straight across and I thought it was going to be really good and it landed about two feet short, bounced down in the rough, got it up and down. At 16 the ball went down there so far it was a joke, the 3-iron off the tee, and I had a little L wedge in there and it landed six inches short of the green and it stayed. If it had landed on the green, it would have taken once bounce and been up there. You know, front pins with the wind's blowing and the green's firm, it's tough so you have to be precise. We'll see, playing all right.

**PHIL STAMBAUGH:** Anything else? Tom, thank you.

**TOM PERNICE, JR.:** Thank you, guys.